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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Li *et al.*  
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FOR: Novel Proteins and Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND  
RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

Prior to examination, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks:

***In the Specification:***

On page 143, in Table GA, please replace the SEQ ID NO "151" with the SEQ ID NO --274--. A clean copy of Table GA is provided below to reflect this change in SEQ ID NO.

| Primers | Sequences                                  | Length | Start Position | SEQ ID NO |
|---------|--|--------|----------------|-----------|
| Forward | 5'-tgaactttgttccagaggagaa-3'               | 22     | 258            | 274       |
| Probe   | TET-5'-tctcctttctggaatgcattactcaa-3'-TAMRA | 26     | 285            | 152       |
| Reverse | 5'-ggtagccttctgcaattacaaa-3'               | 22     | 329            | 153       |

Please insert the sequence listing pages 1-234 at the end of the specification.

**REMARKS**

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed February 5, 2002, Applicants submit herein executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney forms, payment of the surcharge of \$130.00 (#13368) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e), a copy of Notice to File Missing Parts; Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time; a check in